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Applicant:	SKLANSKY ET AL.	Examiner:	Layno, B.
Serial No.:	10/686,020	Group Art Unit:	3712
Filed:	October 15, 2003	Docket No.:	SKLY.004PA
Title:	SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PLAYING COMMUNITY HAND POKER GAMES UTILIZING DEALER QUALIFYING CRITERIA		

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this correspondence and the papers, as described hereinabove, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on March 9, 2005

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c)

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully submits the items of information on the enclosed Form 1449 for the attention of the Examiner in the above-identified application. In addition to what is available and/or listed on the PTO-1449 form the Applicant also brings to the Examiner's attention a Las Vegas Sportsbook "Sklansky Invents New Casino Games" Mar. 19-25, 1982 Vegas World "Casino Poker" and Sklansky "Casino Poker" rule card, TX899,489, copyright Apr. 4, 1982.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted after the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits but before the mailing date of a final Office Action under 37 C.F.R. §1.113 or a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. §1.311. Please

charge Deposit Account 50-0996 (SKLY.004PA) in the amount of $180.00 under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) for consideration of the items.

A copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is enclosed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2).

No representation is made that a reference is "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §§102 and 103. In addition, Applicant(s) do(es) not represent that a reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended, and reserve the right to establish otherwise under 37 C.F.R. §1.131 or others.

Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. According to M.P.E.P. §609, Applicants requests that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

Authorization is hereby given to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments that may be deemed necessary to Deposit Account Number 50-0996 (SKLY.004PA).

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 3/9/05

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	US 2002/0043765	4/18/2002	MOODY			
	US 2001/0054796	12/27/2001	LO			
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	6,467,771	10/22/2002	DE KELLER			
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	6,402,150	6/11/2002	JONES				
	6,206,374	3/27/2001	JONES				

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

	2003	Casino Poker Guide, "Online Poker Rules", 2003.

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